

2. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 1 wherein said combining step [includes one or more of] comprises at least one substep selected from the group consisting of displaying said single data source, aggregating said single data source, transforming said single data source, calibrating said single data source, [or] and formatting said single data source, and wherein said combining step is accomplished via a reporting server means through said communications network.
3. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 1 [or claim 2 such that] comprising the step of, when said further data source is obtained with respect to said group of monitored users, [the method further comprises the step of] initially forming said first group of monitored users as a sample group so as to record and measure interactions of users in said sample group.
4. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 3 wherein the interactions of the users in the sample group are entered by the users in the sample group [in] through a user interface means.
5. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 3 [or claim 4] wherein the further data source is based on said interactions in relation to one or more [monitored] resources [and/or one or more unmonitored resources].
6. (Amended) [A] The method according to [any one of claims 1, 2, or 5] claim 1, further comprising the step of processing said data source and said further data source.

7. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim [6] 5, [when appended to claim 5,] further comprising the step of processing said data source and said further data source, and wherein the processing of said further data source is in relation to the interactions of the users in said sample group and further comprises calibrating a value based on said data source and said further data source.

8. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 7 wherein said calibrating [step] comprises calculating an error rate.

9. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 8, wherein the further data source is based on interactions in relation to one or more unmonitored resources, and further comprising the step of applying the error rate to the further data source [of one or more unmonitored resources] so as to determine an estimate of equivalent interactions of total users with respect to the one or more unmonitored resources.

10. (Amended) [A method according to any one of the previous claims] The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of obtaining said data source [uses] comprises using measurement code means from said first group to obtain measurements of [said] interactions of all users of said first group of one or more monitored resources.

11. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 3 wherein the step of obtaining said further data source [uses] comprises using measurement code means forwarded to [each]

the user interface means of the users in said sample group so as to record all interactions of each user in the sample group.

12. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 9 further comprising the step of calculating a weighting factor based on [the] a number of users in said sample group and [the] a total number of users expected to have access to one or more resources available through said communications network.

13. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 12 further comprising the step of multiplying said weighting factor with [the] a number of users in said sample group that have interactions recorded in relation to said first group of one or more monitored resources to obtain a first figure for [the] an expected number from all users to have interactions with said first group.

14. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 13 further comprising the step of multiplying said weighting factor with [the] a number of users in said sample group that have corresponding interactions recorded in relation to said one or more unmonitored resources to obtain a second figure for [the] an expected number from all users to have recorded interactions of the one or more unmonitored resources.

15. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 14 wherein the error rate is calculated by dividing [the] a number of actual interactions in said data source, pertaining to the one or more monitored resources in said first group, by said first figure.

16. (Amended) [A] The method according to claim 15 wherein the [calculated] error rate is multiplied by said second figure to obtain [the] an expected number of total users to have interactions in relation to said one or more unmonitored resources.

17. (Amended) A system for measuring and analysing multiple data sources over a communications network in order to ascertain information about [the] use of one or more resources linked to said communications network, said system comprising:

a first group of one or more monitored resources, comprising resource servers;

a second group of one or more monitored resources, comprising resource servers;

a data collection and processing means for receiving a data source for said first group of one or more monitored resources, and for receiving a further data source for said second group of one or more monitored resources; and

reporting means for displaying said data source and said further data source as a combined data source to interested parties so as to ascertain usage information on one or more resources.

18. (Amended) A system for measuring and analysing multiple data sources over a communications network in order to ascertain information about [the] use of one or more resources linked to said communications network, said system comprising:

a first group of one or more monitored resources, comprising resource servers;

a second group of one or more monitored users;

a data collection and processing means for receiving a data source for said first group of one or more monitored resources, and for receiving a further data source for said second group of one or more monitored users; and

reporting means for displaying said data source and said further data source as a combined data source to interested parties so as to ascertain usage information on one or more resources.

19. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 17 [or claim 18] wherein said reporting means is a reporting server means included in said data collection and processing means.

20. (Amended) [A] The system according to [any one of claims 17 to 19] claim 17 wherein said data collection and processing means includes collection server means for collecting said data source and said further data source and further includes processing means for processing the data source and the further data source collected by the collection server means.

21. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 18 wherein in relation to said further data source for said second group [of monitored users], interactions and resource requests of each of the monitored users of said second group, entered on respective user interface means, are measured and recorded and sent to collection server means in said data collection and processing means.

22. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 21 wherein the further data source is based on interactions from said monitored users of said second group in relation to one or more [monitored] resources [and/or one or more unmonitored resources].

23. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 22 wherein said further data source and said data source collected by said collection server means are processed by processing server means in said data collection and processing means to calibrate a value based on said data source and said further data source.

24. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 23, wherein the further data source is based on interactions from said monitored users in relation to one or more unmonitored resources, and wherein the [calibrated] value is an error rate which is subsequently applied to the further data source [of one or more unmonitored resources] so as to determine an estimate of equivalent interactions of total users with respect to the one or more unmonitored resources.

25. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 24 wherein said processing server means calculates a weighting factor based on [the] a number of users in the second group of one or more monitored users and [the] a total number of users expected to have access to one or more resources available through said communications network.

26. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 25 wherein said processing server means multiplies said weighting factor with [the] a number of users in said second group of one or more monitored users that have interactions recorded in relation to said first group of one or more monitored resources to obtain a first figure for [an] expected number from all users to have interactions with said first group.

27. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 26 wherein said processing server means multiplies said weighting factor with [the] a number of users in said second group of one or more monitored users that have corresponding interactions recorded in relation to said one or more unmonitored resources to obtain a second figure for [the] an expected number from all users to have recorded interactions of the one or more unmonitored resources.

28. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 27 wherein the error rate is calculated by dividing [the] a number of actual interactions in said data source, pertaining to the one or more monitored resources in said first group, by said first figure.

29. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 28 wherein the [calculated] error rate is multiplied by said second figure to obtain an expected number of total users to have interactions in relation to said one or more unmonitored resources.

30. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 29 wherein said reporting server means displays [said] an expected number of total users having interactions with said one or more unmonitored resources.

31. (Amended) [A] The system according to [any one of claims 17-30] claim 17 wherein said communications network is the internet.

33. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 21 wherein all requests for resources from the monitored users is done through a proxy server.

34. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 33 wherein measurement code is inserted by said proxy server into one or more requested resources and then forwarded with the [requested resource] one or more requested resources to [the] a respective monitored user.

35. (Amended) [A] The system according to claim 34 wherein the proxy server is part of the data collection and processing means.

37. A method of enabling research in a communications network [having] comprising at least one user computer with an internet browser, the method comprising the step of:

altering a proxy setting of the browser of the [user's] user computer to divert [the user computer's] internet access of the user computer through a proxy server.

38. (Amended) The method of claim 37 further comprising the step of upon receiving an internet resource requested by the user from a visited internet site, inserting measurement code into the resource [requested] and passing the resource to the [user's] browser to monitor [the] usage of the resource.

39. (Amended) The method of claim 38 further comprising the step of passing measurement data, which includes user identification data, from the [user's] browser to a data collection and processing means.

40. (Amended) A network enabling internet access by a user computer, characterized in that a connection means on the user computer may be set to enable connection between a proxy server and the user computer such that the proxy server is communicably coupled



between the connection means on the user computer and any internet site servers in order to monitor [the] internet usage of [the] a user of the user computer.

42. (Amended) An apparatus for measuring usage of internet resources, comprising:

a proxy server in a communicable relation with a user browser, the communicable relation effected via a proxy setting of the user browser, such that the user browser is capable of accessing at least one internet resource via the proxy server, and the proxy server is capable of initiating usage measurement of [the resource accessed] an accessed resource of the at least one internet resource.

43. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 42 further comprising a measurement code that is inserted into an accessed resource by the proxy server prior to the accessed resource being forwarded to the user browser for measurement of [the] usage of [that] the accessed resource on the user browser.

44. (Amended) The apparatus according to claim 42 [or 43] wherein measurement data including user identification data is passed from the [user's] user browser to a data collection and processing means.

45. (Amended) A method of measuring usage of internet resources comprising the steps of:

enabling a [user's browser proxy setting] proxy setting of a user's browser to reference [the] a location of a proxy server;

receiving [an internet resource request] a request for an internet resource at the proxy server from the user's browser;

passing the [requested] internet resource to the user's browser after [the] insertion of a measurement code to monitor [the] usage of the [requested] internet resource.

46. (Amended) The method of claim 45 further comprising the step of identifying [the] a user at [the] a data collection and processing means via an identification means sent with [the] measurement data.

48. (Amended) The method of claim [49] 45 wherein the measurement [means] code is embedded code in an HTML page.

49. (Amended) A system for measuring and analysing multiple data sources over a communications network in order to ascertain information about [the] use of one or more resources linked to said communications, said system comprising:

a plurality of resource servers; and

an insertion server linking each resource server of said plurality of resource servers to said communications network, such that when a request for a monitored resource from [any one] a resource server of said plurality of resource servers is made, measurement code is inserted into said [requested] monitored resource by said insertion server for [the] purposes of measuring and analysing usage of the monitored resource.

Please add the following claims:

--50. The method of claim 1, wherein the communications network comprises the Internet.

51. The method of claim 17, wherein an insertion server means is used to insert measurement code into each resource requested by a user.

52. The system of claim 18, wherein said reporting means is a reporting server means included in said data collection and processing means.--